



The People of Washington Avenue Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
gather for the

Worship of God

June 19, 2022, 9:30am: The Second Sunday after Pentecost

Chiming the Hour

The Atwood Carillon

Greeting

The Spirit of God is with you!
And also with you!

Rev. Nathan A. Russell

Call to Worship

Lift up your hearts...
We lift them to the Lord!

Rev. Russell

Prelude

Simple Gifts

Ms. Linda Bohnert

Meditation for Preparation

"What I love about #Juneteenth is that even in that extended wait, we still find something to celebrate. Even though the story has never been tidy, and Black folks have had to march and fight for every inch of our freedom, our story is nonetheless one of progress."

–Michelle Obama

Hymn of Praise 631

Lift Every Voice

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Invocation

Ms. Megan Doan

Hymn of Prayer 656

God of Freedom, God of Justice

TREDEGAR

Prayers of the People

God of freedom and justice...

Touch our world with your Spirit's healing breath.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN.

Congregational Response 314

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Invitation to Stewardship

Rev. Russell

Our regular tithes and offerings support the budgeted ministries of WACC.

Offertory

Ms. Linda & Mr. John Bohnert

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Doxology

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NUN DANKET

All praise and thanks to God our Father and our Mother, to Christ and to the One who binds us to each other, the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore, for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

The Reading

Acts 2:43-47

Rev. Russell

For the Word of God in its promise and covenant...

Thanks be to God.

Discipline of Silence

"As joy gives way to dreaming, our hope becomes more and more secure. We begin to believe that what is will not always be, that the ache will not always linger. And we may even begin to believe that we are worthy of what we are hoping for."

—Cole Arthur Riley, *This Here Flesh*

Hymn of Communion

*O Breath of Life*¹

SPIRITUS VITAE



O Breath of Life, come sweep - ing through us, re - vive your church with life and power;
 O Wind of God, come bend us, break us, till hum - bly we con - fess our need;
 O Breath of Love, come breathe with - in us, re - new - ing thought and will and heart;



O Breath of Life, come, cleanse, re - new us, and fit your church to meet this hour.
 then in your ten - der - ness re - make us, re - vive, re - store, for this we plead.
 come, Love of Christ, a - fresh to win us, re - vive your church in ev - ery part!

Invitation to Commune

Rev. Russell

Prayer at the Table

Ms. Megan Rowe

Words of Institution

Rev. Russell

Invitation to Discipleship

Rev. Russell

Hymn of Discipleship 655

Community of Christ

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Benediction and Charge

Rev. Russell

Postlude

Mr. Evan Collins

And all the people said...

AMEN!

We Go to Love and Serve from Our Doorsteps to the Ends of the Earth

Today's artwork is *Pentecost* (1973). JESUS MAFA is a response to the New Testament readings from the Lectionary by a Christian community in Cameroon, Africa. Each of the readings was selected and adapted to dramatic interpretation by the community members. Photographs of their interpretations were made, and these were then transcribed to paintings. The exuberant expression of joy in this depiction represents the Acts story, including Mary and the women mentioned in Acts, Chapter 1. Pentecost was originally an ancient Hebrew time of thanksgiving celebration for the first grain harvest, as recorded in Leviticus. The new significance given to this day by the gospel writers and early Christians extends that joyful expression to the new "filling up" by the Holy Spirit.

¹Words by Elizabeth Ann P. Head, 1850-1936

EVENTS THIS WEEK

- Today, 6/19: 9:30am - Energetic, liturgical worship in the sanctuary
11am - *Two or More* scripture discussion group in the Gibbens room
3pm - CYF Conference at Camp Christian begins (ends 6/25)
6pm - YouTube premiere of morning worship
- Mon., 6/20: Church office closed in observance of Juneteenth
7pm - YouTube premiere of *Children's Corner: Lessons from the Heart*
- Tue., 6/21: 7:45am - Devotional gathering using *The Upper Room* (on Zoom)*
5pm - Outreach Committee meeting (on Zoom)
- Wed., 6/22: 10am-2pm - Labyrinth available (2nd & 4th Wednesdays/month)
7pm - YouTube premiere of theAlternative

*First-timers may register at waccelyria.org for these online, weekly devotional gatherings.



We are thrilled that you are worshiping God with us in-person and/or online. Scan this QR code with a smartphone to register your attendance, submit a prayer request, and make an online contribution.

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